SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Sir, the Hon. Minister in charge of Bus Transport has been a Corporation Councillor for 24 years. He was also the Mayor of the Corporation once. Still he makes the House understand that Kodambakkam is a mufassal place. It is included within the limits of the City of Madras. I have been asking him to increase the bus service to Kodambakkam locality which is a part of the City of Madras. Will the Hon. Minister consider the possibility of running more buses to that locality? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" Even now I think buses are running to Palani Andavar temple and to Kodambakkam. If the hon. Gentleman thinks that they are not enough and wants more buses, that is another matter."

SRI C. H. KANARAN :—" On a point of order, Sir, the Hon.
11-15 a.m. Speaker is not looking this side at all. So, many of us are not able to get a chance for putting questions."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I am looking on all sides of the House. In fact, many hon. Members from that side have put questions."

Disputes between landlords and tenants in Sirkali taluk regarding removal of paddy from the threshing floors.

* 100 Q.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representations have been made to the Government through District Officials that a large number of bags of paddy are lying on threshing floors (kalams) in many villages of Sirkali taluk, Tanjore district, due to dispute among mirasdars, waramdars and pannai labourers; and

(b) if so, what steps the Government have taken or propose to take thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The Government have not received any representation through District Officials. In May 1952, certain M.L.As. represented to the Government that owing to disputes between landlords and tenants, a large quantity of paddy was lying idle on threshing floors in some of the villages of Sirkali taluk and that an urgent directive to settle the disputes might be issued to the authorities concerned. From reports obtained from the Collector on the matter, it is observed that in all but one out of the seven cases, the disputes have been amicably settled through the efforts of the district revenue officials and that the entire paddy has been measured and removed from the threshing floors. Government have asked the Collector to continue his efforts for a settlement in the remaining case also."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" Are the Government aware of the fact that on account of these disputes, a number of persons have been evicted from their lands and houses and if so, may I know what action they propose to take in this matter? "

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THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The Government are not aware of what the hon. Member says about evictions."

SRI N. SIVARAJ :—" Do the Government know that a large number of peasants have been evicted from their lands and houses due to these disputes? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I will enquire about it."

SRI K. GOVINDA RAO :—" In view of the fact that there are serious disputes between the inamdars and mirasdars on the one hand and the peasants on the other all over the State and a number of poor peasants are being thrown out of their lands, will the Hon. Minister tell us whether he would come forward with the necessary legislation to protect the interests of the peasants? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The hon. Member is putting a general question. We are at present concerned with the Sirkali taluk."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" May I know what was the duration of the dispute, the quantity of paddy allowed to lie on the threshing floors and whether there was wastage? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" There is no question of wastage, Sir. For a few months, the dispute was pending."

SRI M. BAPAIAH CHOWDARY :—" Will the Hon. Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether the so-called amicable settlement was in favour of the mirasdars or in favour of the ryots? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" It was a just settlement which was in favour of both."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" May I know whether the Government will be prepared to arrange for a tripartite conference of the mirasdars, peasants and the officials concerned in this connection, so that there may not be any disputes in future between the mirasdars and the peasants? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, apart from the question of conference, I propose to look into the matter and I expect the co-operation of the hon. Member in settling these disputes."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" The Hon. Minister said that three M.L.As. have made certain representations to the Government. May I know what are the views of these gentlemen and what they have said in their representation? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" If the hon. Member wants to know who these M.L.As. are, I think the hon. Member knows much more than myself. With

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regard to the other point, they have reported that there was a dispute between the mirasdars and kisans and that they would like it to be settled.''

Sri R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—'' Sir, I want to know from the Hon. Minister the nature of the report that has been submitted by these three gentlemen to the Government.''

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—'' I cannot carry all the details of the report in my head always. The main thing in their report is that there were disputes which ought to be settled.''

Sri G. LATCHANNA :—'' May I know whether it is a fact that these poor peasants have been forced to vacate the lands in that area and if so, whether the Government will review the question and protect them? ''

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—'' Yes, Sir. Certainly, the Government will consider the question and see that amicable conditions prevail in the interests of the hon. Member, this side of the House, the other side of the House and in the interests of all.''

Sri P. V. R. GAJAPATHI RAJU :—'' In answer to Sri Swaminathan's question, the Hon. Minister said that Sri Swaminathan knew the names of three M.L.As. Unfortunately, I am not aware and I am sure a large number of Members in this House are not aware of the names of these gentlemen. Therefore I would like the Hon. Minister to inform us who those M.L.As. are. Secondly, may I know whether the Hon. Minister will give us the assurance that if any other three M.L.As. make a representation or send reports to the Government, that will receive the same consideration from the Government as the report submitted by these three M.L.As. ? ''

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—'' I would not fix the minimum number as three. If the hon. Member himself were to make a representation, I would surely consider it. With regard to the names of the three M.L.As., I think the hon. Gentleman may profitably contact the hon. Member Sri Swaminathan who can give the names much more easily than I, as I have to go through the files and find out the names.''

Sri V. V. RAMASAMI :—'' The Hon. Minister said that only when the representations were received from these M.L.As., the Government were aware of the situation. It was also mentioned in the papers that the Minister might visit that place. May I know whether the officials in that place did not send a report to the Government on the situation; and if so, why? ''

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—'' At that stage, there was no report from the officials. But, after that, a number of reports are coming day in and day out.''

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SRI P. V. R. GAJAPATHI RAJU :—" I do not know why the Hon. Minister for Revenue is feeling it delicate to name the Members. I think it is his duty to officially inform this House who those Members are, especially when we are discussing the action taken by the Government on the representation submitted by them."

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I do not feel any delicacy. I do not know the names. I do not wish to give the stock answer ' Notice, please '."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Is the Hon. Minister for Land Revenue aware of the fact that the tenants and labourers as a last measure, resorted to social boycott of the mirasdars in that locality and at the instance of some landlords, the Police have arrested nearly 17 labourers in Sirkali? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I am not aware of it. I do not know when the hon. Member shifted his activities from Chingleput to Sirkali." (Laughter.)

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware that the dispute was for the purpose of enforcing an agreement that was reached between two parties in the presence of the District Magistrate in 1948, and may I know whether the Hon. Minister will please tell the House whether the present settlement was on the basis of that agreement or whether any new agreement has been arrived at, and if so what that agreement is? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The present settlement is based more or less on the settlement which is popularly called as ' Mayuram Award '."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Questions are over."

[*Note.*—**An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.**]

II.—VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR 1952-53—*cont.*

(1) DEMAND XI—DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION AND MISCELLANEOUS—*cont.*

***SRI A. GOVINDASWAMI NAYAGAR** :—" மதிப்பிற்குரிய தலைவர் அவர்களே, ஜில்லா நிர்வாக மான்யத்தின் மீது கனம் ரெவின்யூ மந்திரி அவர்கள் கொண்டு வந்திருக்கும் மான்யக் கோரிக்கையை எதிர்த்து, எதிர்க் கட்சித் தலைவர் ஸ்ரீ டி. விசுவனாதம் அவர்கள் கொண்டுவந்திருக்கும் வெட்டுப் பிரேரணையை ஆதரிக்கும் முறையில் தென் ஆற்காடு ஜில்லா சம்பந்தமாகச் சில விஷயங்களைக் கூற விரும்புகிறேன்.

" தென்னாற்காடு ஜில்லா ஒரு பிற்போக்கான ஜில்லா. அந்த ஜில்லாவில் நிர்வாகம் ஒரு சில எண்ணிக்கையிலுள்ள முற்போக்குச் சமுகத்தைச் சேர்ந்த ரெட்டியார்கள் கையில் இருந்ததால் அவர்கள் நிர்வாகத்தில் இருந்த காலத்திலிருந்து தென்னாற்காடுக்கு வேண்டிய வசதி எதுவும் செய்யப்படவில்லை. அதே சமயத்தில் பல கெடுதிகளையும் செய்துள்ளனர். ஓமந்தூர் ஸ்ரீ ஓ. பி. ராமசாமி ரெட்டியார் அவர்கள் முதல் மந்திரியாக இருந்த காலத்தில் திண்டிவனத்திலிருந்து ரெட்டணை ஏரியை எறையானூருக்கு வழக்கமாக போய்க்கொண்டிருந்ததை தன் சொந்த கிராமத்திற்கு (ஓமந்தூருக்கு) அக்கிரமமாக அதிகார தோரணையில் புது வாய்க்கால்